

MT, in June 1961. Realizing his potential, Orland was promoted to Field Representative in 1965, Operations Supervisor in Grand Forks, ND, in 1971, and Staff Officer at the Denver Regional Office in 1973.

Mr. Bergen was selected for the Staff Development Program in January of 1975 and became the Public Affairs Assistant in the Regional Office in Denver, CO, in August of that same year. He moved to Pueblo, CO, in 1978 as Assistant District Manager and was reassigned as branch manager in LaJunta, CO, in January of 1993. Orland served on a variety of details in the Denver regional office and the Colorado Disability Determination Services, until being reassigned in January 1994 and coming home to Montana to his present position as district manager in the Social Security Administration's Billings District Office, as their district manager.

When Mr. Bergene retired January 3, 2005, we lost a very dedicated and caring public servant. He is an inspiration to us all, and a great teacher to many who have worked for and with the Social Security Administration. I have personal knowledge of Orland's dedication, and commitment, not only to his profession, but more importantly to the people he worked with, and the citizens he worked for. Thank you, Orland, for your service to our country.●

RETIREMENT OF JAMES W. EVATT

● Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, today I take the opportunity to note the impending retirement of James W. Evatt from The Boeing Company and congratulate him for his 4 decades of service to our country.

In all the debates over defense programs we often forget the human dimensions of these issues. It is all too easy to think of programs by their names and forget that real people work hard every day to make a difference in the defense of our country.

Jim Evatt has been one these people for the past 40 years, first during 22 years of service in the Air Force and then these last 18 years with Boeing. To day that the emergence of our Nation has been a remarkable success, one we can be so proud of, is due in no small measure to the fact that we can claim remarkable people like Jim Evatt among our most devoted citizens.

Jim was born in Norman, OK, less than 6 months before the United States entered World War II. Jim attended the University of Oklahoma for a year before deciding that the Air Force Academy was the right place to be. After graduation he served with distinction in the Air Force in Viet Nam, first flying B-52 missions and then flying the O-2 aircraft as a forward air controller. He held positions in a variety of assignments as a pilot in both the Strategic and Tactical Air Commands. Jim was part of the B-1 Joint Test Force, was

the special assistant for the B-1B program to the deputy chief of staff for research, development, and acquisition, and from 1983-1985 commanded the 2nd Bombardment Wing, the Strategic Air Command's largest operational unit. In his last Government assignment he held the dual positions of Director of Special Programs for the deputy chief of staff for research, development, and acquisition and Director of Low Observable Technology for the Defense Department.

Our Nation owes Jim Evatt a debt of gratitude just for his Air Force service, from his combat assignments in Viet Nam to his intimate involvement in the development of stealth technology.

When Jim retired from the Air Force he went right to work at Boeing, intent upon continuing to contribute to our Nation's defense. He has held numerous positions over his 18 years at Boeing, to include President of the Information and Communication Systems Groups; Executive Vice President of the Defense and Space Group; Vice President of Marketing and Strategic Analysis; Director of Strategic Analysis and Advanced Development; Program Manager for the Grumman/Boeing/Lockheed AX fighter aircraft team for the Military Airplanes Division; Director of Advanced Product Development; and Director of Preliminary Design.

Jim Evatt's contributions to our Nation's defense over the last 5 years are particularly noteworthy, during which time he has been indispensable to the progress of America's missile defense program. Jim became the program manager of the Groundbased Midcourse Defense program, or GMD as it is now known, shortly after Integrated Flight Test-5 ended in a failure.

First he led Boeing's examination of that failure, and then was rewarded with the opportunity to lead GMD's industry team. In combination with Major General Bill Nance, now retired, Jim focused the GMD program on those activities which were necessary to evolve the program from what was essentially a demonstration to a deployed system. That they did this during a period of time in which the executive branch was focused more on preserving the ABM Treaty as the so-called "cornerstone of strategic stability" than it was on protecting America, Americans, and American interests from the threat of missile attack is truly remarkable and something for which future generations will be grateful.

In the year prior to fielding ground-based interceptions at Ft. Greely, AK, Jim again assumed direct responsibility for industry's conduct of the GMD program. I am confident that our Nation's deployment of interceptors is due in no small measure to the leadership and dedication of Jim Evatt.

I could go on at some length, but to do that would only embarrass this humble, God-fearing patriot. We sometimes wonder how our Nation came to be so great, where we find Americans

so willing to put their country before themselves. The answer is that we find these people in places like Norman, OK, where service to our country is an honor beyond all others and its own reward.

I offer my gratitude and congratulations to Jim for all he has done in 40 years of service to our Nation, and wish him and his wife Tammy my very best wishes in their well-deserved retirement.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2005, the Secretary of the Senate, on January 6, 2005, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 241. An act to accelerate the income tax benefits for charitable cash contributions for the relief of victims of the Indian Ocean tsunami.

Under the authority of the order of January 6, 2005, the enrolled bill was signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS) during the adjournment of the Senate, on January 6, 2005.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. LUGAR for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

*Condoleezza Rice, of California, to be Secretary of State.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

ORDER FOR PRINTING OF INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the proceedings from today's inaugural ceremony be printed in today's CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

INAUGURAL PROCEEDINGS

Inauguration of George W. Bush, Thursday, January 20, 2005, 11:30 a.m.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff assembled on the President's platform.

The Diplomatic Corps assembled on the President's platform.

Members of the House of Representatives of the United States, led by the majority whip, ROY BLUNT, and the minority whip, STENY HOYER, assembled on the President's platform.